NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: Office of Planning and Research

1400 Tenth Street Sacramento, CA 95814 FROM: Department of Parks and Recreation

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PROJECT TITLE: Himalayan Blackberry Removal & Native Species Vegetation

LOCATION: McArthur Burney Falls Memorial State Park COUNTY: Shasta

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT: Remove Himalayan Blackberry plants from approximately 1.25 acres of land and replace non-native invasive species with native species seedlings of a local provenance near Lake Britton in McArthur Burney Falls Memorial State Park to regain the native habitat. Work will mechanically remove the Himalayan Blackberry Plants with an archeological monitor present. Work will excavate up to 10 inches deep to plant the seedlings, the seedlings will be planted with physical protection. Nonnative resprouts will be sprayed with glyphosate in September – December and a 1% glyphosate + .5% Triclopyr in January – August by a qualified applicator. All ground disturbing activities will be monitored by an archeologist.

PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING THE PROJECT: California Department of Parks and Recreation

NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT: Northern Buttes District

EXEMPT STATUS:

☑ Categorical Exemption

Class: 1 & 4

Sections: 15301 & 15304

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT: Project consists of maintenance and minor alteration of existing public facilities involving no expansion of use beyond current levels and minor public alterations in the condition of land and vegetation that do not involve removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees and is included as a "resources management project" in the Department of Parks and Recreation's list of exempt activities in accordance with CCR §15300.4

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